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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

ANGELINA FRANCISCO-PASCUAL,

Petitioner,

v.

ALBERTO R. GONZALES, Attorney General,

Respondent.

No. 04-72085

Agency No. A79-267-335

**MEMORANDUM**\*

On Petition for Review of an Order of the **Board of Immigration Appeals** 

Submitted November 18, 2005 \*\* Portland, Oregon

GRABER and RAWLINSON, Circuit Judges, and OTERO,.\*\*\* Before:

District Judge.

Petitioner Angelina Francisco-Pascual, a native and citizen of Guatemala, petitions for review of an adverse decision by an immigration judge ("IJ") and the

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This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

The Honorable S. James Otero, United States District Judge for the District of Central California, sitting by designation.

Board of Immigration Appeals ("BIA"). "Where, as here, the BIA adopts the IJ's decision while adding its own reasons, we review both decisions." <u>Kataria v. INS</u>, 232 F.3d 1107, 1112 (9th Cir. 2000). We review for substantial evidence.

Nagoulko v. INS, 333 F.3d 1012, 1015 (9th Cir. 2003).

1. Substantial evidence supports the determination that Petitioner had firmly resettled, 8 C.F.R. §§ 208.13(c)(2)(i)(B) and 208.15, in Mexico, where she lived for 15 years before coming to the United States. Petitioner concedes that her lengthy stay in Mexico raises a presumption of firm resettlement, which she has the burden to rebut. Cheo v. INS, 162 F.3d 1227, 1229-30 (9th Cir. 1998).

This case is distinguishable factually from <u>Camposeco-Montejoa v.</u>

<u>Ashcroft</u>, 384 F.3d 814 (9th Cir. 2004). For example, Petitioner was allowed to attend school in Mexico, she testified that her father was not repatriated to Guatemala, and there was evidence in this record that a number of Guatemalan refugees remain in Mexico by choice and with the permission of the government.

2. To qualify for withholding of removal, Petitioner had to show that it was more likely than not that she would be subjected to persecution on a protected ground, <u>Al-Harbi v. INS</u>, 242 F.3d 882, 888 (9th Cir. 2001), by the Guatemalan government or an entity that the government cannot or will not control, <u>Reyes-</u>

Reyes v. Ashcroft, 384 F.3d 782, 788 (9th Cir. 2004). The evidence here would not compel a reasonable finder of fact to conclude that Petitioner met that standard. PETITION DENIED.